

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 10

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Reply to: OCE-133

CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

John Vanburkum Owner Ridgeline Dairy, LLC 3300 Hopewell Road Everson, Washington 98247

Re:

February 22, 2013, NPDES Compliance Inspection

NPDES Identifier Number WAU000619

Dear Mr. Vanburkum:

On February 22, 2013, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) inspected your facility to evaluate its compliance with the Clean Water Act (CWA). I would like to express my appreciation for your staff's time and cooperation during the inspection. The inspector did not indicate any violations of the CWA at the time of inspection.

Please follow up with the Washington State Department of Agriculture, the Washington State Department of Ecology, and the Whatcom Conservation District to ensure your facility is in compliance with state and local regulations. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please call Steven Potokar, CAFO Enforcement Coordinator, at (206) 553-6354.

Sincerely,

Jeff KenKnight, Manager NPDES Compliance Unit

cc:

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